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Alabama Janice Grubbs Phone: 334-864-4005 Fax: 334-864-7852 Email: janice.grubbs@dhr.alabama.gov	Current support, medical support, arrears	Code of Alabama 1975, Section 27-21B-10 Website: http://www.legislature.state.al.us/CodeofAlabama/1975/coatoc.htm	Rule 32(B)(7)(c)(3) Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration states that cash medical support or the cost of private health insurance is considered reasonable if the cost to the parent responsible for providing medical support does not exceed 10% of his/her gross income.
Alaska Lisa Taylor Phone: 907-269-6803 Fax: 907-787-3159 fax Email: lisa.taylor@alaska.gov Friederike Cook Phone: 907-269-6838 Fax: 907-787-3262 Email: friederike.cook@alaska.gov Ronda Hausser Phone: 907-269-6837 Fax: 907-787-3149 Email: ronda.hausser@alaska.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest		
Arizona Arizona Dept of Economic Security Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) Policy Unit PO Box 40458 Attention: Site Code 776A Phoenix, Arizona 85067 Phone: 602-771-8000 Phone: 602-771-8127 Fax: 602-771-8130 Email: dcse-policyquestions@azdes.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest		
Arkansas Mary Smith Phone: 501-682-6828 Fax: 501-682-6002 Email: mary.e.smith@ocse.arkansas.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest		

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California Program Policy Branch Phone: 916-464-5883 Fax: 916-464-5893 Email: policy.branch@dcss.ca.gov	At this time, California allows for the non-aided individual to choose between medical support and current support. For aided individuals, it is always current support that is prioritized.		
Colorado Kari Moreno Phone: 303-866-4232 Fax: 303-866-4359 Email: kari.moreno@state.co.us	Health insurance premiums, current support, arrears, interest	C.R.S. Section 14-10-115(10)(g)	"Where the application of the premium payment on the guidelines results in a child support order of \$50 or less or the premium payment is 20% or more of the parent's gross income, ..." (20% reasonable cost standard)
Connecticut Edgar Young Phone: 860-424-5292 Fax: 860-951-2996 Email: edgar.young@ct.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears		
Delaware Ana DePaul Phone: 302-395-6587 Fax: 302-395-6734 Email: ana.depaul@state.de.us	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums		
District of Columbia Artish Jacobs Phone: 202-724-2316 Fax: 202-724-3713 Email: artish.jacobs@dc.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears	D.C. Law 17-128, "Child Support Compliance Amendment Act of 2007"	Reasonable Health Insurance Coverage Defined: Health insurance coverage shall be considered reasonable in cost if the cost to the parent obligated to provide coverage for the children subject to the support order does not exceed 5 percent of the parent's gross income.
Florida Employer Line Phone: 866-435-2763 Email: dorcse@dor.state.fl.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, then other medical coverage		Florida statutes section 61.13 (1) (b) states: "Health insurance is presumed to be reasonable in cost if the incremental cost of adding health insurance for the child or children does not exceed 5 percent of the gross income, as defined in s. 61.30, of the parent responsible for providing health insurance."

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Georgia Lamaya Paschal Phone: 404-463-1733 Fax: 770-344-3323 Email: lrking1@dhr.state.ga.us	Current support, medical insurance if ordered in a specific dollar amount, arrears.		
Guam Pauline R. Chaco Phone: 671-475-3324, ext. 821 Fax: 671-475-3203 Email: pauline.chaco@guamcse.net	Current support, current medical support, child support arrears, medical support arrears, genetic test fees		
Hawaii Kaleialoha Vierra Phone: 808-692-7147 Fax: 808-692-7134	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time		
Idaho Kristy White Phone: 208-334-4975 Email: whitek@dhw.idaho.gov	Current support, medical support, arrears	Idaho Code 32-1214B(11)	"Reasonable cost" means the cost to the obligor does not exceed five percent (5%) of his or her gross income.
Illinois Barb McDermott Phone: 217-782-2359 Email: barb.mcdermott@illinois.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears	750 ILCS Section 28/22 750 ILCS Section 28/50(a) 750 ILCS Section 5/505.2 No link available at this time	Legislation not changed yet so no guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time
Indiana Employer Maintenance Unit Phone: 800-292-0403 Phone: 317-232-0327 Email: emu@dcs.in.gov	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums		

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<p>Iowa</p> <p>Phone: 877-274-2580 Fax: 319-226-7150</p> <p>Website: https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/epay/</p>	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time	<p>Iowa Code Chapter 252E Website: http://coolice.legis.state.ia.us/Cool-ICE/default.asp?category=billinfo&service=lowaCode&ga=83</p> <p>Iowa Court Rules Chapter 9 Website: http://www.legis.state.ia.us/DOCS/ACO/CR/LINC/08-02-2010.chapter.9.pdf</p>	Generally, 5% to 1% of gross income, but there are exceptions
<p>Kansas</p> <p>Tammy Johnson Phone: 785-296-1958 Email: tammy.johnson@srs.ks.gov</p>	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums	<p>Website: http://content.srs.ks.gov/CSE/KCSEM/Section4.asp#4340_2</p>	5 percent reasonable standard
<p>Kentucky</p> <p>Mary W. Sparrow Phone: 502-564-2285, ext. 4428 Fax: 502-564-0255 Email: mary.sparrow@ky.gov</p>	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears		Reasonable cost is defined in KRS 403.211(8)(a), as, For purposes of this section, "reasonable in cost" means that the cost of coverage to the responsible parent does not exceed five percent (5%) of his or her gross income. The five percent (5%) standard shall apply to the cost of adding the child to an existing policy, the difference in cost between a single and a family policy, or the cost of acquiring a separate policy to cover the child. If the parties agree or the court finds good cause exists, the court may order medical coverage in excess of five percent (5%) of the parent's gross income.
<p>Louisiana</p> <p>Gloria Garner, Program Manager Phone: 225-342-2148 Fax: 225-342-8822 Email: gloria.garner@la.gov</p> <p>Brenda Washington, Program Coordinator Phone: 225-342-4791 Fax: 225-342-8822 Email: brenda.f.washington@la.gov</p>	Health insurance premiums, current support, arrears		

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Maine Jeffery P. Young Phone: 207-624-6987 Fax: 207-287-6883 Email: jeffery.p.young@maine.gov	Current child support, arrears, health insurance premiums	Link not available at this time	Reasonable cost is defined as 6% of gross income or, if gross income does not exceed 150% of the federal poverty level for one person, 0% of gross income.
Maryland Judith Angell Phone: 410-767-7403 Fax: 410-333-0952 Email: jangell@dhr.state.md.us	Current child support, arrears, health insurance premiums, and cash medical support	Family Law Article, §§12-102—12-102.3, Annotated Code of Maryland	The cost of providing health insurance for a child is considered reasonable if it does not exceed five percent of the gross income of the parent who is providing the insurance.
Massachusetts Karen E. Melkonian Phone: 617-626-4204 Fax: 617-660-0163 Email: melkonian@dor.state.ma.us Joanne McNally Phone: 617-626-4135 Fax: 617-660-1064 Email: mcnallyj@dor.state.ma.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears		
Michigan Laura Shelagowski Phone: 517-373-9954 Fax: 517-373-4980 Email: shelagowskil@michigan.gov	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums		
Minnesota Cindy Steinberg Phone: 218-832-3875 Email: cindy.steinberg@state.mn.us	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time		
Mississippi Sherry Taylor Phone: 601-359-4627 Fax: 601-359-4415 Email: sherry.taylor@mdhs.ms.gov	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time		

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<p>Missouri</p> <p>John Mier, Establishment of Medical Support Phone: 573-751-7079 Fax: 573-751-3677 Email: john.r.mier@dss.mo.gov</p> <p>Angela Terry, Enforcement of Medical Support Phone: 573-751-6529 Fax: 573-751-3677 Email: angela.terry@dss.mo.gov</p> <p>Nancy Crocker, Public Inquiries Phone: 573-526-5356 Fax: 573-751-3677 Email: nancy.j.crocker@dss.mo.gov</p>	<p>Current support (would include a dollar-specific medical support obligation), health insurance premiums, current spousal support, arrears, interest</p>	<p>Website: http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/c454.htm</p> <p>The medical support statutes can be found at 454.600 through 454.645.</p>	<p>No guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time</p>
<p>Montana</p> <p>Chad Dexter Phone: 406-444-1846 Email: cdexter@mt.gov</p>	<p>Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums*</p>	<p>Website: http://data.opi.state.mt.us/bills/mca_toc/40_5_8.htm</p>	<p>Out-of-Pocket Premium < (Gross Income) x 0.05- *If the parent's monthly out-of-pocket premium cost for coverage of the child(ren) is less than or equal to 5% of the parent's gross income, or- If there is no additional cost to add a child(ren) to an already existing plan.</p>
<p>Nebraska</p> <p>Margaret Ewing Phone: 402-471-7317 Fax: 402-471-7311 fax Email: margaret.ewing@dhhs.ne.gov</p>	<p>Current child support, spousal support, medical support payments including health insurance premiums; then arrears- child support, spousal support, then medical support; then interest on those arrears</p>		<p>Cash medical support or the cost of private health insurance is considered reasonable in cost if the cost to the party responsible for providing medical support does not exceed three percent of his/her gross income. In applying the three percent standard the cost is the cost of adding the child(ren) to existing health care coverage or the difference between self-only and family health care coverage.</p>

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Nevada Debbie Fazzino 1470 College Parkway Carson City NV 89706-7924 Phone: 775-684-0701 Fax: 775-684-0702 Email: dfazzino@dwss.nv.gov	The employer shall allocate the funds available in accordance with the following priority, unless a court or administrative order directs otherwise: Current child and spousal support Health insurance premiums or current cash medical support; Arrearages Other child support obligations	Website: http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-031A.html#NRS031ASec350	Cash medical support or the cost of private health insurance is considered reasonable in cost if the cost to the parent responsible for providing health insurance does not exceed five percent (5%) of the parent's gross monthly income (GMI). In applying the five percent standard, the cost is the cost of adding the child(ren) to existing health coverage or the difference between self-only and family coverage.
New Hampshire Sarah Kourian Phone: 603-223-4823 Fax: 603-271-7336 Email: sarah.kourian@dhhs.state.nh.us	Current support (child and spousal), health insurance premiums, arrearages		
New Jersey Alisha Griffin Phone: 609-584-5093 Fax: 609-588-2064 Email: alisha.griffin@dhs.state.nj.us	New Jersey guidelines have a line item for work related medical coverage; however, if the coverage is out-of-pocket, the priority is current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.		
New Mexico Michelle Castaneda Phone: 505-827-7242 Fax: 505-827-6257	Current support (child and spousal), health insurance premiums, arrears		
New York Tim Lane Phone: 518-474-9081 Fax: 518-486-3127 Email: timothy.lane@dfa.state.ny.us David Whalen Phone: 518-474-9081 Fax: 518-486-3127 Email: david.whalen@dfa.state.ny.us	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums		

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North Carolina Donna Buchanan Phone: 919-855-4433 Fax: 919-733-2783 Email: donna.buchanan@dhhs.nc.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears		
North Dakota Paulette Oberst Phone: 701-328-3582 Fax: 701-328-6575 Email: poberst@nd.gov	State income withholding law provides that child support payments must be satisfied before any payment is made to the health insurance provider.		
Ohio Ohio Dept. of Job and Family Services/Office of Child Support PO Box 182709 Columbus, Ohio 43218-2709 Al Marcinonis Phone: 614-752-2680 Email: al.marcinonis@jfs.ohio.gov	Ohio gives priority to all forms of cash child support first (e.g., current support, periodic arrears, fees, reimbursements) and the medical insurance premium second. This priority is dictated by Ohio Revised Code section 3119.36(B) which requires an employer to return the NMSN without action if the combined total of the support payment and the medical insurance premium exceeds CCPA.		
Oklahoma Dorinda Morris PO Box 545 Fairview, OK Phone: 580-227-2516 Email: dorinda.morris@okdhs.org	Effective 10-01-07, employers receiving an income assignment and NMSN are to allocate withholdings to (1) current child and spousal support, then (2) health insurance premiums, then (3) arrearages, then (4) other child support obligations.		
Oregon Employer Services Central Unit Phone: 866-907-2857 Fax: 503-986-6011 Email: ead.staff@doj.state.or.us	Current cash child/medical/spousal support, then arrears for child/medical/spousal support and last health care coverage premium.	ORS 25.321 to ORS 25.343 Website: http://landru.leg.state.or.us/ors/025.html	OAR 137-050-0750 Website: http://oregonchildsupport.gov/laws/rules/050_0750.pdf

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Pennsylvania Kevin Guistwite Phone: 717-705-7120 Email: kguistwite@state.pa.us	Current support, current medical support including health insurance premiums, child support arrears, medical support arrears		
Puerto Rico Addo Perez-Valentin Phone: 787-767-1500, ext. 2700 Fax: 787-772-9352 Email: aperez@asume.gobierno.pr	No information available at this time		
Rhode Island Frank DiBiase Phone: 401-458-4412 Fax: 401-222-3835 Email: fdibiase@dhs.ri.gov	Current support, current medical support (cash order), current spousal support and then arrears		Reasonable Cost is equal to five percent (5%) or less of the gross of the parent. However, when the obligor has multiple orders, then "Reasonable Cost" is defined as being equal to no more than 5% [of the gross income of the parent] for the first order; 2.5% for the second order; [and] 0% for all subsequent orders.
South Carolina Steve Yarborough Phone: 803-898-9450 Fax: 803-898-9126 Email: syarborough@dss.state.sc.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears		
South Dakota Nichole MaComb Phone: 605-773-6569 Fax: 605-773-7295 Email: nichole.macomb@state.sd.us Address: Division of Child Support Attn: National Medical Support Notice Coordinator 700 Governors Drive Pierre, SD 57501	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums	SDCL 25-7-6.16; 25-7A-58, 59, 61 and 62	8% of net income

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<p>Tennessee</p> <p>Elsie Rhodes, Coordinator Phone: 615-313-5761 Fax: 615-532-2791 Email: elsie.rhodes@state.tn.us</p>	<p>The current support obligations are paid first in the following order: child support, medical support including health insurance premiums, spousal support. Arrears obligations are paid next in the same order.</p>		
<p>Texas</p> <p>Ted White Phone: 512-460-6515 Email: ted.white@cs.oag.state.tx.us</p>	<p>The cost of medical support for coverage provided through the employer is considered a deduction from income before reaching the disposable income available for support under the garnishment limits and therefore are not subject to maximum available income limits; any other medical support order is considered additional child support and no distinction made for the purpose of withholding priority. That priority is current support, interest, arrears, costs and fees.</p>	<p>Texas Family Code 154.181-.193</p> <p>Website: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/FA/htm/FA.154.htm#D</p>	<p>Texas Family Code 154.181(e) In this section, "reasonable cost" means the cost of health insurance coverage for a child that does not exceed nine percent of the responsible parent's annual resources, as described by Section 154.062(b)</p> <p>Website: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/FA/htm/FA.154.htm#154.181</p>

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<p>Utah</p> <p>LeAnn Wilber Phone: 801-536-8950 Email: lwilber@utah.gov</p> <p>Zeljka Borro Phone: 801-536-8688 Email: zborro@utah.gov</p>	<p>If withholding is required for employee contributions to one or more plans under this notice and for a support obligation under a separate notice and available funds are insufficient for withholding for both cash and medical support contributions, the employer must withhold amounts for purposes of cash support and medical support contributions in accordance with the law, if any, of the State of the employee's principal place of employment requiring prioritization between cash and medical support, as described here: If the employee's principal place of employment is in Utah, deduct current child support before deducting amounts for health insurance coverage. As required under section 2.b.2. of the Employer Responsibilities, complete item 5 of the Employer Response to notify the Issuing Agency that enrollment cannot be completed because of prioritization or limitations on withholding.</p>	<p>Website: http://www.le.state.ut.us/~code/TITLE62A/htm/62A11_032600.htm</p>	<p>Pursuant to R527-201-7. Reasonable Cost of Insurance Premiums, "Employment-related or other group coverage that does not exceed 5% of the obligated parent's monthly gross income is generally considered reasonable in cost. . ."</p>

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<p>Vermont</p> <p>Andrew Warren Phone: 802-241-6522 Fax: 802-241-2748 Email: andrew.warren@ahs.state.vt.us</p>	<p>Current child support, medical support, child support arrears, medical support arrears, surcharge</p>	<p>Website: http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fullsection.cfm?Title=15&Chapter=011&Section=00658</p>	<p>The court shall order either or both parents owing a duty of support to provide a cash contribution or medical coverage for a child, provided that medical coverage is available to the parent at a reasonable cost. Medical coverage is presumed to be available to a parent at a reasonable cost only if the amount payable for the individual's contribution to the insurance or health benefit plan premium is five percent or less of the parent's gross income. The court, in its discretion, retains the right to order a parent to obtain medical coverage even if the cost exceeds five percent of the parent's gross income if the cost is deemed reasonable under all the circumstances after considering the factors pursuant to section 659 of this title.</p> <p>If private health insurance or an employer-sponsored health benefit plan is not available at a reasonable cost, the court may order one or both parents owing a duty of support to contribute a cash contribution of up to five percent of gross income toward the cost of health care coverage of a child under public or private health insurance or a health benefit plan. A cash contribution under this section shall be considered child support for tax purposes. When calculating the contribution of a parent whose child receives coverage under Medicaid, a Medicaid waiver program, or Dr. Dynasaur, the court shall not order a contribution greater than the premium amount charged by the agency of human services for the child's coverage.</p>
<p>Virgin Islands</p> <p>Dean Barnes Phone: 340-775-3070, ext. 3009 Phone: 340-775-3808 Email: ginad_13@hotmail.com</p>	<p>No statutory policy; preference for current support, medical support including health insurance premiums, arrears</p>		

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<p>Virginia</p> <p>Joan Faulkner Phone: 804-726-7440 Fax: 804-726-7481 Email: joan.faulkner@dss.virginia.gov</p> <p>Jeff McDermott Phone: 804-726-7851 Fax: 804-726-7475 Email: jeff.mcdermott@dss.virginia.gov</p>	Current support, arrears (including interest), health insurance premium		
<p>Washington</p> <p>Gaye L. McQueen Phone: 360-664-5068 Fax: 360-586-3274 Email: gmcqueen@dshs.wa.gov</p>	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest	<p>Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Statute as of 10/01/2009</p> <p>Health Ins Requirement Website: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.09.105</p> <p>Medical Enforcement Website: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.18.170</p> <p>Penalties-Employer Website: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.18.180</p> <p>Insurance Website: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=48.01.235</p>	<p>Reasonable cost is calculated as 25% of the obligated parent's Basic Child Support Obligation (BCSO).</p> <p>The BCSO is calculated from Line 7 of the Washington State Child Support Schedule Worksheet with revision date prior to 10/2009.</p> <p>The BCSO is shown on Line 19 of the Washington State Child Support Schedule Worksheet with revision date 10/2009 and later. If no figure is shown on Line 19, the BCSO is calculated from Line 9.</p> <p>The court shall have discretion to order health insurance coverage that exceeds 25% of the BCSO when it is in the best interest of the child. This is considered "no limit to cost", except that current child support, plus the children's insurance premium, plus arrears cannot exceed 50% of the parent's disposable earnings.</p>
<p>West Virginia</p> <p>Karen Yahr Phone: 304-356-4750 Fax: 304-558-4092 Email: karen.m.yahr@wv.gov</p>	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, then interest when applicable	WV Code §48-12-101 et seq.	The child's portion of the medical insurance premiums not exceeding 5% of the gross income of the parent who provides the coverage.

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<p>Wisconsin</p> <p>Phyllis Fuller Phone: 608-264-6065 Fax: 608-267-2824 Email: phyllis.fuller@wi.gov</p>	<p>No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time</p>	<p>767.127 (1m) Wis. Stat. Disclosure of health insurance availability to the parties</p> <p>767.513 Wis. Stat. Child health care expenses</p> <p>767.75 Wis. Stat. Income Withholding for payment obligations</p> <p>Wisconsin Administrative Rule Chapter DCF 150.05 Medical Support</p>	<p>Administrative Rule DCF Chapter 150.05 (1)(b) 2</p> <p>The court may consider a private health insurance plan to be available at a reasonable cost if the cost to enroll the child or children does not exceed 5% of the insuring parent's monthly income available for child support and would cover hospitalization and other medical costs without large out-of-pocket deductibles or co-payments. In applying this 5% standard, the cost to enroll the child or children in a private health insurance plan is the cost to add the child or children to existing coverage or the difference between the cost of self-only coverage and the cost to that parent after adding the child or children.</p>
<p>Wyoming</p> <p>Jay Mullendore Phone: 307-777-5653 Fax: 307-777-5588 Email: jay.mullendore@wyo.gov</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears</p>		<p>The cost to provide health care coverage or to provide cash medical support for children at no more than five percent (5%) of the providing party's income, as defined in W.S. 20-2-303(a)(ii).</p>